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Subject: CNN needs explanation of how breach occurred

Hi Mylott –

I believe you've been corresponding with my CNN colleague Mariano Castillo.

I'm working on a story that will explain in detail how the EPA accidentally breached the store of chemical-laced water. I'd like an explanation how this happened – was it someone touching something, pulling the wrong lever, etc?

I'm also trying to answer: How often does the EPA or some other government agency regulate mines? Is contaminated water a byproduct of mining? Has it caused or could it cause health problems or spills like the one in the Animas River?

You can reach me in the newsroom. I'm an immediate turn deadline. 404 827 5872.

Thank you –

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